GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:97
ANSWERED ON:24.11.2000
EXPORT OF SANDALWOOD
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) The quantum of Sandalwood and Sandalwood Oil exported during the year 1997, 1998 and 1999, country-wise;

(b) The foreign exchange earned thereby during the said period, Year-wise; and

(c) The steps taken by the Government to promote the export of Sandalwood and Sandalwood Oil on a large scale?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a), to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a), (b) and (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.97(H) ANSWER ON 24.11.2000 REGARDING EXPORT OF SANDALWOOD

(a) & (b):
(i) Export Data is maintained Financial year-wise. The quantum and value of sandalwood oil exported are as under:

Year	Quantity (in Kg)	Value (in Rs/Crores)
1996-97	5469	6.47
1997-98	8298	12.10
1998-99	7387	8.69

(ii) The quantum and value of sandalwood chips and dust exported are as under:

Year	Quantity (in Kg)	Value (in Rs/Crores)
1996-97	887322	31.52
1997-98	237196	12.86
1998-99	679296	18.10

Source: DGCI&S

Country-wise data is available in the DGCI&S publication viz., `Monthly statistics of the Foreign Trade of India`.

(c) Normal incentives available to all exporters are available for exports of sandalwood oil and sandalwood products. Moreover, Government is extending Market Development Assistance for exporters through the Export Promotion Councils for competing in foreign markets through participation in overseas fairs, exhibitions and for mounting trade delegations.